

# NPS Ocean Park Task Force

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# Know & Understand Parks

- Complete basic inventories
- Monitor resources
- Describe park boundaries & jurisdictions
- Assess watersheds
- Improve NPS capacity to explore ocean
- Participate in national MPA inventory
- Increase NPS peer-reviewed publications

# Restore Impaired Resources

- Assess efficacy of reserves in parks
- Develop joint fishery management plans
- Prevent loss of species and resources
- Assess geologic vulnerability
- Develop ocean damage assessment teams
- Develop a *Restore Impaired Ocean Park Resources* initiative

# Protect Parks & Mitigate Threats

- Analyze efficacy of NPS authorities
- Mark ocean boundaries with modern technology
- Improve cooperative law enforcement
- Zone visitor uses in ocean parks
- Designate ocean parks sensitive areas
- Sustain OSHA-compliant diving program

# Connect People to Ocean Parks

- Resolve misperceptions about ocean
- Improve communication among professionals
- Engage mass media artists & writers
- Raise NPS & public awareness of ocean parks
- Engage more volunteers
- Establish Research Learning Centers
- Establish Ocean Park Fellowships